



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 00-713-B1)

In re Application of: )  
Chad A. Mirkin, et al. ) Examiner: Jezia Riley  
Serial No. 09/923,625 ) Group Art Unit: 1637  
Filed: August 7, 2001 ) Confirmation No. 2286  
For: Nanoparticles Having )  
Oligonucleotides Attached )  
Thereto and Uses Therefor )

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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated June 11, 2003. Please amend this application as shown below. A Petition for an extension of time (three months) and requisite fee are attached herewith. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee resulting from this amendment to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 13-2490.